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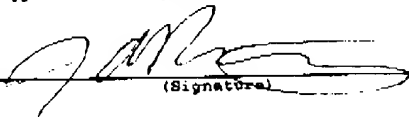
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 19, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks:

In the Claims:

Claims 1, 10, 20, and 24 have been amended to read as follows:

1. (Amended) An absorbent device for insertion into a vaginal cavity, said absorbent device comprising an overwrap and an absorbent structure, the overwrap comprising an upper portion and

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